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REPORT

TOPIC **Oranienburg Airfield**

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REMARKS \_\_\_\_\_

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1. The following air activity and aircraft were observed at Oranienburg airfield between 19 July and 15 August 1955:

22 and 25 July. There was air activity by Il-28s or U-Il-28s. Flying in formations of three aircraft and in squadrons was practiced. Several flights toward a northeasterly direction were observed. The aircraft returned three hours later.

29 July. A total of 43 Il-28s or U-Il-28s were counted at the parking area.

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2 August. Between 2045 and 2200, two formations of 6 Il-28s took off. These planes were not observed returning.

3 August. Between 2115 and 2300, three formations of six Il-28s and one formation of three Il-28s took off, the return of which was not observed.

15 August. A total of 42 Il-28s or U-Il-28s were counted at the airfield.<sup>1</sup>

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2. On 13 August, excavation work was completed and brick laying work started on the new quartering billets at the Leegebrucher ~~camp~~ of Oranienburg airfield. Construction work was interrupted because of a lack of current supply.<sup>2</sup>

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3. Between 2 and 15 August, no changes of occupation were observed at Weisse Stadt restricted area. Only transfers within the restricted area were made. Renovation work was under way on three stair wells of Building No.2 which were formerly occupied by about 150 ground personnel, who were black-bordered blue epaulets, and were now transferred to Building No.9. The last stair well of Building No.2 was still occupied by about 50 men who were to be transferred to stair well No.1 after its completion. After renovation of Building No.2, it was planned to renovate Building No.17. Workers employed in renovation work within Weisse Stadt area believed that this work would be completed by about late 1955.

Major Keslov (fnu), was lodged in the upper story of the fourth northern stair well of Building No.5. The offices of this major were located at the ground floor of the first southern stair case of Building No.1.

Since 1 or 2 August, a hospital was established on the ground floor and upper story of the first southern stair well of Building No.7.

\_\_\_\_\_ an apartment on the upper story of the first southern stair well at Building No.15 was scheduled to house a general in the near future.

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The walls were dismantled at the four southern stair wells at Building No. 11. A second school for Russian children was planned to be established there.<sup>3</sup>

4. On 23 July, an AA gun emplacement equipped with four AA guns and numerous tents were observed from Muhrgraben about 500 meters northeast of Langebrunn.<sup>4</sup>
5. The following observations were made at the searchlight position on 25 and 26 July: This emplacement was located about 100 meters west of the small settlement, north of Vogelweide, and between Zeisig-Strasse and Bachstelzen-Strasse. Eleven beds were installed at a temporary building of this searchlight position. A searchlight which had a diameter of about 1.5 to 1.8 meters and covered with a tarpaulin was observed about 30 meters south of the temporary building. Two small van-like trucks for equipment were seen about 50 meters southeast and about 30 meters west of this building. Personnel truck was parked at the area. Five masts, 10 to 12 meters high, braced with guy wire were located about 80 meters northeast of the temporary building.<sup>5</sup>

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7. The following air activity and aircraft were observed at Oranienburg airfield between 21 July and 10 August:  
21 July. Ten Il-28s or U-Il-28s were parked at the field. Only partial observations were possible. Individual Il-28s made local flights.  
25 July and 1 August. It was estimated that about 42 Il-28s or U-Il-28s were parked at the airfield.

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Individual Il-28s made local flights.

1 August. Il-28s were parked near hangar No. 3. These planes had a vertical grey-blue stripe on the rudder units.  
8 August. About 36 Il-28s or U-Il-28s were parked at Oranienburg airfield.<sup>1</sup>

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8. Excavation work for new quartering billets started on the Leegerbruch side of Oranienburg airfield on 25 July.  
On 1 August, approximately 20 tents were located about 80 meters northeast of the billets under construction. Six tarpaulin covered AA guns were observed in a cavity, about 60 [REDACTED], about 50 meters east of the tents. The gun crews, wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, constructed ammunition dumps of round timber. Lieutenant Colonel Filiapov (fnu) was in charge of supervision of the construction work.<sup>2</sup>

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9. The searchlight position was located about 80 meters west of the small settlement [REDACTED] except for diameter a [REDACTED]

truck. The rod antenna was braced with guy wires at 6 to 8 points. Another rod antenna, 6 meters high, was observed about 80 meters north of the first antenna. Six to eight guy wires lead at a height of 3 to 4 meters to pilings which were about 3 to 4 meters high. These pilings were also connected with guy wires. The searchlight position was fenced off by a single wire fence which was about 60 to 80 centimeters high. Major Ilyeyuk (fnu) was in charge of the searchlight emplacement. It was learned from Major Ilyeyuk, that another 2 temporary buildings were planned to be erected at two additional searchlight positions. The location of the planned projects was unknown.<sup>5</sup>

10. Between 21 July and 1 August, no changes in the occupation of Weisse Stadt were observed. Renovation work was under way at the first southern stair well of Building No.1. The offices of Lieutenant Colonel Borodulkin (fnu) and Major Ilyeyuk (fnu) were located at the upper floor of this stair well. The northern stair well of Building No.1, which so far housed female employees, was also under renovation. The female employees were transferred to the next stair well and the vacated stair well was used as instruction rooms for technical personnel. The ground floor, which previously housed kitchen and messhalls, was also renovated for unknown purposes. The three northern stair wells of Building No.11 were also under renovation. A second school for Russian children was planned to be established there. Building No.17 was scheduled to house officers' dependents after the renovation.<sup>3</sup>

11. Aircraft revetments were located near the hangar and along the taxiway leading to the hangar.<sup>6</sup>

12. On 4, 8, and 9 August, van-like truck [REDACTED] with a rod antenna was parked about 70 meters southwest of Eden railroad station. The rod antenna was 8 meters high and had several bracings. The noise of a running engine was heard on the days mentioned.<sup>7</sup>

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13. On 4 and 9 August, six canvas-covered AA guns and 19 tents were observed at the AA gun emplacement on the Leegerbrucher side of Oranienburg airfield.<sup>4</sup>

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. Oranienburg airfield is still occupied by one bomber regiment and a probable reconnaissance regiment both equipped with a total of about 42 Il-28s. [REDACTED]

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2. [REDACTED] Comment. The construction projects mentioned are quartering billets [REDACTED]

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4. [REDACTED] Comment. So far it has been assumed that two batteries with 37-mm AA guns were employed for AAA protection at this installation. This is the first time that 85-mm AA guns have been reported as being there.

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5.  Comment. The five-mast radio station near the searchlight position is a PKV 45 D/F station.

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6.  Comment. For location sketch of aircraft revetments, see Annex.

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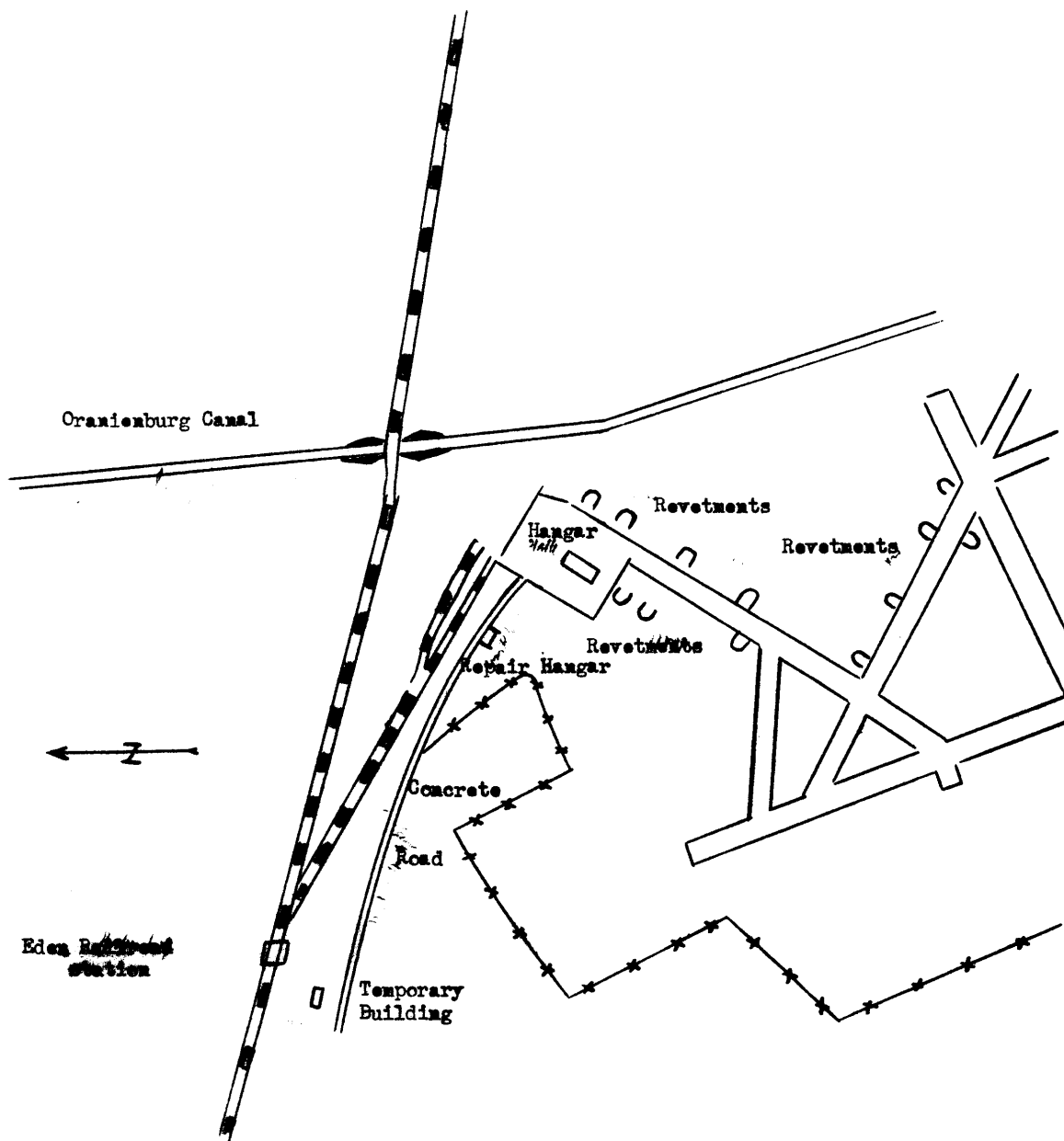
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Location Sketch of Aircraft Revetments



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